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## Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-IN CAPITAL, \$5,000,000.

INSTALLMENT RECEIVED ON NEW SHARES, 926,755.62

65,926,755.63

RESERVE FUND, \$2,500,000.

INSTALLMENT OF PREMIUM TO NEW SHARE, 698,330.43

63,198,330.43

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LONDON BANKERS, London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

6 " 4 per cent. "

12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BANK DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Draws granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, August 25, 1883.

## Intimations.

A V. S.

UNE Adjudication Publique, sur soumission cachetée, aura lieu en la Chancellerie du Comté de France à Hongkong, le Mercredi, 14 Novembre instant, à 2 h. du matin, pour la fourniture totale, (en 4 livraisons de 1,500 tonnes chacune, du 1er au 10 de chaque mois, à la partie du 1er Décembre, 1883), de 5,000 TONNES DE CHARBON de Newcastle, d'Australia, livrables à Hongkong, pour le compte du service administratif du Tonkin. Le cahier des clauses et conditions du contrat est déposé à la disposition du public à la Chancellerie du Consulat de France à Hongkong.

Le S. Commissaire de la Division de Chine et du Japon.

G. DE MONTJAMONT.

Hongkong, 3 November, 1883.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND CONTINENTAL PORTS.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for passing the Company's Steamers through the Suez Canal in QUARANTINE, thus avoiding any detention in EGYPT. The Homeward Mails are now being landed at Venetia, but the QUARANTINE which is still imposed at this and all other CONTINENTAL Ports prevents the landing of Passengers, and those travelling by the Company's Steamers are advised to remain on board the Vessel which calls at Marseilles en route—stopping a few hours only to discharge cargo—and proceed in her direct to London, thus avoiding all QUARANTINE delays and inconveniences.

The Passengers of the Steamers will be accelerated, and they will not call at MALTA or Gibraltar.

E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, September 6, 1883.

HOP SHING & CO., ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS, COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON FOUNDERS, &c.

NESS IRON WORKS.

HAVING This Day commenced BUSINESS, are ready to undertake Work of the above Descriptions under the Supervision of an EXPERIENCED EUROPEAN.

Orders executed with the utmost despatch and at moderate prices.

George Woodin, West Point, Hongkong, 24th September, 1883.

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This refutes Tea, the Lady Superior of the Italian Convent now comes forward and says "Sir Lanca and GENTZKOW to let her know for her numerous Chinese pupils, for whom the sole beverage of luxury is Tea."

Hongkong, September 10, 1883.

## Intimations.

### CITY HALL.

#### NOTICE.

THE Annual General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS to the above Institution will be held in the LIBRARY, at 3 p.m. on WEDNESDAY NEXT, the 14th day of November instant.

H. L. DENNYS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 12, 1883. no14

HONGKONG CLUB.

#### NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

IT having been found impracticable to make a Correct CATALOGUE of the CLUB LIBRARY without Calling in the BOOKS and CLOSING the ROOM for about ONE WEEK, MEMBERS are particularly requested to RETURN ALL BOOKS in Circulation, on or before the 15th November instant. NO WORKS will be issued after the 12th November.

ANY STRAY WORKS, ODD VOLUMES belonging to the CLUB, if returned, will be thankfully received, and BOOKS taken out and not returned will be charged to the MEMBERS in whose Names they are entered.

By Order of the General Committee,

A. O. GOURLIN,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, November 6, 1883. no15

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has This Day resumed his duties as SECRETARY of the Company.

By Order,

W. H. RAY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 12, 1883. no19

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE TO DAILY BOARDERS.

UNTIL further Notice the CHARGES now prevailing will be CONTINUED after the 1st Proximo.

By Order of the Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 8, 1883. no15

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Second and Final BONUS of Five per cent. on Contributions, and a DIVIDEND of EIGHTEEN DOLLARS and TWENTY-NINE CENTS per Share for the year 1882 will be Payable on MONDAY, the 22nd Instant.

WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the Society on and after that date.

By Order of the Board,

DOUGLAS JONES,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, October 22, 1883.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE THIRD CALL of £10 Sterling per Share on the 20,000 SHARES, NEW ISSUE of this CORPORATION, will fall due on the 30th SEPTEMBER CURRENT, in London, Calcutta, Bombay, Shanghai and Hongkong.

REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS entitled to NEW SHARES, are requested to Pay, at the respective OFFICES, the above Call or its equivalent in the Currency of the above-mentioned places.

PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES are being issued in Exchange for the 1st Call Receipts, which are to be surrendered to the Bank.

Holders of PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES, when paying this Call, will please send same to this Office to be endorsed.

The Rate of Exchange for Hongkong is fixed at 87 1/2d or \$54.70 per Share.

Interest at the Rate of 7 1/2 per Annum will be Charged on Calls unpaid on the 30th SEPTEMBER.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 12, 1883.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st October, the PRICE of ICE will be REDUCED to 12 Cents per pound.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 15, 1883.

MRS. P. SMITH, PRIVATE TIFFIN ROOMS.

AT

No. 8 & 9, Beaconsfield Arcade.

MEALS & REFRESHMENTS AT ALL HOURS.

TIFFIN ROOMS, BILLIARD ROOM,

AND

READING ROOM.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BOARD and LODGING can be made by applying to

Miss P. SMITH,

On the Premises, Beaconsfield

Arcade.

Hongkong, October 18, 1883. no18

THE REPORT of the TRIAL of LOGAN, at Canton, that appeared in the China Mail has been printed in PAMPHLET FORM, and is now on Sale.

Price, 30 Cents.

London Minister,

Hongkong, May 16, 1883. no16

THE refutes Tea, the Lady Superior of the Italian Convent now comes forward and says "Sir Lanca and GENTZKOW to let her know for her numerous Chinese pupils, for whom the sole beverage of luxury is Tea."

Hongkong, September 10, 1883.

## For Sale.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

#### HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING

### NEW GOODS:

FLINDERS and FIRE-IRONS, FIRE-GUARDS and COAL-VASES, KERSINE COOKING STOVES.

HORN "DUPLEX" TABLES, LAMPS in New Designs, Now FOLDING

LAMP SHADES, LINEN "DAGMAR" SHADES.

SARATOGA TRUNKS, and LADIES' DRESS TRUNKS, TRAVELLING BAGS and HOLD-ALLS, DESPATCH BOXES, and PORTFOLIOS.

New SLIDER-PLAYING CARDS, "MOGULS," "SQUEEZERS," CALL BELLS, SCRAP BOOKS, New OFFICE SUNDRIES.

CHRISTMAS CARDS in New Prize Designs, MENU and NAME CARDS, ARTISTS' MATERIALS and New CANVASES, AIR-BEDS and CUSHIONS.

PLATE, PLATES and NEW CANTON-MENU TABLETS.

ARTISTS' MATERIALS and New CANVASES, AIR-BEDS and CUSHIONS.

Now CUTLERY.

CHRISTY'S FELT-HATS in New Shapes and Colours, ELLWOOD'S FELT-HATS on Cork.

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## For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.  
No. 53, Queen's Road East.  
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSIONERS).  
ARE NOW LANDING  
FROM AMERICA.

California  
BACKE COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb  
tins, and loose.  
Soda BISCUITS.  
Assorted BISCUITS.

Small HOMINY.  
Cracked WHEAT.  
OATMEAL.  
CORNMEAL.

White BEANS.  
TOPCOAN BUTTER.  
Eastern and California CHEESE.  
CODEFISH in Tins.  
Prime HAMS and BACON.  
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.  
Family BEEF in 25 lb cans.  
Bacon Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.  
Cutting's Desert FRUITS in 25 lb cans.  
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.  
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage  
MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.  
Assorted SOUPS.

Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted  
MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.  
Clam CHOWDER.

Fresh OREGON SALMON.

Dried APPLES.

TOMATOES.

SUCOTASH.

BRAUN.

Maple SYRUP.

Golden SYRUP.

LOBSTERS.

OYSTERS.

HONEY.

Corn STARCH.

Green CORN.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

400 lb. Capacity.

600 lb.

900 lb.

1,200 lb.

CORN BROOMS.  
OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS.  
AXES and HATCHETS.

AGATE IRON WARE.

WAFFLE IRONS.

SMOOTHING IRONS.

PAINTS and OILS.

TALLOW and TAR.

VARNISHES.

DEVOE'S NONPARIEL  
BRILLIANT  
KEROSINE OIL,  
150° test.

Ex late Arrivals from  
ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF  
S T O R E S,  
including:

BREAKFAST TONGUES.

CAVALIER ASPARAGUS.

SOUPS, &c.

TESSONNAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.

ALMONDS and RAISINS.

PIONIC TONGUES.

COCCOTINA.

Van HOUTEN'S COCOA.

LIEBIG'S & EPP'S COCOA.

FRENCH PLUMS.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

MINCEMEAT.

SAUSAGES.

BRAUN.

DANISH BUTTER.

SPARTAN  
COOKING STOVES.

ENGLISH CUTLERY.  
ELECTRO-PLATE.  
CROCKERY & GLASS WARE.

CLARETS—  
CHATEAU MARGAUX.

CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.

1828 GEAVES.

BREAKFAST CLARET, ".

SHERBIES & POET—  
SAUCON'S MANZANILLA & AMON-

TILLADO.

SAUCON'S OLD INVALID PORT

(1848).

HUNTER'S PORT.

BRANDY WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.

1 and 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.

BRONTE DUNHURST & Co.'s BRANDY.

BRISTOL OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

BUCHANAN'S LL WHISKY.

DEVON GLENDER WHISKY.

EGERTON'S OLD TOM.

M. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY.

LOHSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.

MCILROY, PEAT & Co.'s VERMOUTH.

ORANGE'S GINGER BRANDY.

ESTERSON'S LEMONADE.

CHARTREUVE.

MARACHINO.

GUARACAO.

ANGOSTURA, BOKER'S and ORANGE

BITTERS.

AC., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and

SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &

J. BROWN, pints and quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the

Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogsheads.

SPICALLY SELECTED

CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in

Tea & Caddy Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

MILLER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF

SAFES, CASH and PAPER

BONDS, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, July 10, 1883.

## Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-  
Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS  
TO JAPAN, THE UNITED  
STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND  
SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,  
VIA  
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,  
AND  
ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING  
STEAMERS.

THE S. S. QUEENIC will be despatched  
to San Francisco, via Yokohama,  
with the option of calling at Honolulu,  
on SATURDAY, the 17th November, at  
3 p.m.

Connection being made at Yokohama,  
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan,  
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan,  
with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan.

All Parcel Packages should be marked  
addressed full; and same will be received  
at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the  
day previous to sailing.

RETURN PASSENGERS.—Passengers, who  
have paid full fare, reembarking at San  
Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa),  
within six months, will be allowed a discount  
of 20% from Return Fare; if reembarking  
within one year, an allowance of 10% will  
be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return  
Passage Orders, available for one year,  
will be issued at a Discount of 25% from  
Return Fare. These allowances do not apply  
to through fares from China and Japan to  
Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Over-  
land, Mexican, Central and South American  
Cargo, should be sent to the Collector of Cus-  
toms, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,  
Agent.

Hongkong, October 27, 1883. no17

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZU, ISMALLIA,  
PORT SAID, SYRIA, PORTS  
NAPLES, MARSHALLS, AND PORTS  
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

## BOMBAY.

ON TUESDAY, the 20th November,  
1883, at noon, the Company's  
S. S. "PEI HO" (Commandant Lefort,  
A. D. 1720),

will leave this Port for the  
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for  
London as well as for Marseilles, and ex-  
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the  
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until  
Noon of 16th November.

Cargo will be received on board until 4  
p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on  
the 16th November. (Parcels are not to be  
sent on board; what may be left at the  
Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-  
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the  
Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, November 9, 1883. no20

## NOTICE FOR HOME.

The Garland China Mail.

(The latest Overland Papers China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE  
IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely  
printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from  
the Daily China Mail, is published twice  
a month on the morning of the  
English Mail's departure, and is a record  
of each fortnight's current history  
of events in China and Japan, con-  
tributed in original reports and collated  
from the journals published at the various  
ports in those Countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai,  
Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete  
Commercial Summary.

Subscription, 50 cents per Copy (postage  
paid 50 cents), \$12 per annum (postage  
paid \$12.50).

Orders should be sent to G. MURRAY  
Banks, China Mail Office, 2, Wyndham  
Street, not later than noon of the day the  
English Mail Steamer leaves.

Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily  
China Mail.

## NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Colonial Newspapers received at the office  
are regularly filed for the inspection of  
Advertisers and the Public.

## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Nov. 13, 1883.

Stocks. Nos. of Shares. Value. Paid-up. Reserve. Working Account. Last Divid. Cleaning Quo-  
tations, Cash.

BANKS.  
HK. and Sh. 125 \$ 125 \$ 106,336 \$ 52,609.62 \$2 189% = \$3611.

INSURANCES.  
Nth. China Ins. 1,000 TL 2,000 TL 600 TL 400,000 TL 230,464.77 TL 75 TL 1,400 p. sh.

Yangtze Ins. 1,200 TL 250 TL 350 TL 538,235 TL 356,391.00 TL 18% TL 1,015.

Union Ins. Soc. 2,000 \$ 1,250 \$ 125 \$ 500,000 \$ 476,391.00 TL 18.29 TL 320.

China Traders 94,000 \$ 88,333 \$ 25 \$ 600,000 \$ 107,411.65 22% 1,673.

Insurance 94,000 \$ 250 \$ 50 \$ 506,127.77 10% \$117.

C'nt'g Ins. Office 1,500 \$ 1,000 \$ 200 \$ 100,378 \$ 250,732.56 2% \$20.15.

HK. Fire Ins. 8,000 \$ 100 \$ 20 \$ 801,000 \$ 250,732.56 \$3,600.74 TL 355.

HK. Fire Ins. 20,000 \$ 100 \$ 20 \$ 106,366.49 \$3,600.74 TL 355.

China Fire Ins. 1,250 \$ 100 \$ 100 \$ 250 \$ 106,366.49 \$3,600.74 TL 355.

SHANGHAI.

Stocks. Nos. of Shares. Value. Paid-up. Reserve. Working Account. Last Divid. Cleaning Quo-  
tations, Cash.

CHI. Imp. 1,374 8,276.2 100 all 4,083.04 4% \$125.

" 1,377 10,040.2 100 all 4,083.04 4% \$125.

" 1,

We regret to hear of a serious accident to H. E. the Governor this afternoon. His Excellency was, it seems, mounting his pony at Government House, when the animal suddenly started backwards, the result being that the Governor lost his balance, and, in trying to recover himself, fell on the stone pavement, straining severely the muscles of his left leg. His Excellency, although suffering much pain, is progressing well.

There was a very crowded meeting at the volunteer head-quarters this evening, to elect the requisite officers for the new battery. The place was packed to overflowing. Mr. Holme took up 13 hours yesterday, making a total of 35 hours he has passed to join. Lt. Colonel Crawford took the chair, and read regulations 12 and 13 of the corps, which state that the appointments of officers is vested in the Governor of the Colony, but that His Excellency has consented to select the officers from a list of names to be chosen by the Volunteers themselves, and that at this election all gentlemen who shall have enrolled themselves as Members other than Honorary Members shall be entitled to vote.

He then asked the men to write down four names on their balloting papers. There were only three officers to be elected, but the fourth name was in case one of the officers chosen might be prevented from accepting the post. Each man then deposited his paper in a despatch box, and the voting was at an end. The result will be announced shortly. If a sufficient number of volunteers can attend it is proposed that on Saturday next, the corps shall parade at 3 p.m. sharp, and march out along the Pek-fu-lum Road, to oppose the advance of an enemy's force supposed to have landed from boats in Telegraph Bay, and to be moving on Victoria by the Pek-fu-lum Road.

We pointed out a few days ago the grave aspect affairs were assuming in south-eastern Europe, events tending to show that the re-opening of the dreaded "Eastern Question" was within almost measurable distance. Later telegraphic despatches do not indicate that the position of affairs, at least in Servia and Bulgaria, have improved. Two of Reuter's Telegrams received here on the 11th instant, referring to events in these two principalities, have evidently got mixed in transit. As published they read as follows:

The revolt in Belgrade is extending under the Radical leaders.

The Servian troops have captured the insurgent position at Kalafat, and taken one hundred prisoners.

Belgrade is the capital town of Servia, and the process of a revolt extending there is not very understandable. We have had news of the Servian troops having been despatched against insurgents, but we have not heard anything previously of this revolt in the capital which is now said to be extending. Still, the telegram may be correct but badly worded.

The second telegram is hardly more understandable. It is stated in it that the Servian troops have captured the insurgent position at Kalafat, and that Kalafat is not in Servia. Under the Treaty of Berlin, made in 1878, Kalafat and Widdin, which is the fortress facing Kalafat on the other side of the Danube, were assigned to the newly erected state of Bulgaria, and we do not recollect their ever having subsequently been handed over to the Servians. Both Widdin and Kalafat were, at the time of the Russo-Turkish war, fortresses of great importance, but it was ceded in the Treaty that they should both be demolished. This was not, however, done, we believe, and if the Servians have captured the important strategical position of Kalafat from insurgents, it must have been very feebly defended. Prince Milos's troops must have had a pretty tough fight to capture it.

One might be inclined to read "Bulgaria" for "Belgrade" in the telegram if any previous intelligence had been received of a revolt in that principality. But although we were informed in a recent telegram that the Tsar had withdrawn his aids-de-camp from Bulgaria, and that Prince Alexander had dismissed his Russian Minister of War, yet we have not learned anything of the people in the principality having broken out into open revolt. Besides, the Servian troops would not operate against Bulgaria.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending 11th Nov., 1883.

Monday.	Tuesday.	Wednesday.	Thursday.	Friday.	Saturday.	Sunday.	Monday.
35	17	42	32	28	34	378	125
346	332	236	395	456	378	378	125
<b>Totals</b>	<b>125</b>						
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>7,350</b>						

We understand that Captain Harvey, R.N., the well-known torpedist, has been engaged at home by Mr. Buchbisher, and comes out in the "Glencoyde" to instruct the Chinese in the use of submarine mining and torpedoes. Captain Harvey is a retired British naval officer, and has considerable experience in blowing up Chileans on the west coast of South America. He will also be remembered for his adventurous ocean voyage last year of five hundred miles in an open British collapsible boat.

The rumours, which have been current during the past few months to the effect that Majorate Chen would resign his position at the Mixed Court, which he has held

for upwards of ten years, have at last been realized. Chen retires, and the Court in Maloo was closed in consequence of this to-day. (Nov. 8th) and will remain so till Saturday next. His successor is a Mandarin by the name of Wihang, (not Mr. Onang, Magistrate of the French Mixed Court) who held a similar position in the Chinese City.

—Shanghai Mercury.

Mr. Milford, Laycock's medical attendant, thinks that he may begin training in February. Mr. Hunt has written to Hanlan repeating the challenge for Laycock or the next best man, for £1,000 a side, and allowing Hanlan £250 for expenses. The next best man will probably be Trickett, Rush, or Beach. The race must be rowed on or before the 31st March, 1884.—Queenslander.

So many rumours intended to damage the Kaiping mines have been circulated of late, that we are glad to learn that the position and prospects of the mines are in reality excellent. In addition to the lump steamer, large quantities of slack and small coal, amounting to an average of over 100 tons a day, are sold to the country people at £1. 3s. a ton at the pit's mouth, while the scamps already being worked are practically inexhaustible. Satisfactory progress is likely to be made soon on the adjacent iron-mines.—Shanghai Courier.

The trouble caused by a Chinese looper in Queensland may be gathered from the following paragraph in the "Queenslander" of Oct. 6th:—Intimation was received in town on Friday last that a Chinese looper had arrived at Bogantungan from Blackall, and a telegram was received by the traffic manager which was a kind of indirect application for permission to pass the Chinese looper. A light blue cotton uniform is worn by the men, who are armed with chisels and the Remington rifles formerly used by the Yellow Flag, and it is intended, when the members of the new corps shall have been sufficiently "knocked into shape" and drilled, to attach them to service to the Naval Brigade recently drafted by Admiral Courbet from the men-of-war on the station and sent to the front. Whether they will prove as serviceable in the field as their active and plucky little countrymen from Saigon remains to be seen. If they display no more military character before the Chinese than their countrymen have generally done when opposed to French troops they will scarcely be of much service to their employers.

A second reinforcement, consisting of Turcs, or native Algerian troops, and part of the Foreign Legion, have arrived by the transports Tonkin and Biscay at Halong Bay, to-day.

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(From a Correspondent.)

Notwithstanding the factious opposition of a body of time-servers and office-seekers, who are always prone to oppose any measures beneficial to the interests of the Colony, when such opposition would bring about a bitter official controversy, the permission applied for by Mr. Dalton Sayle, of Hong Kong, to establish a glass manufactory near the Barras Fort, was granted last week by the Governor in Council. The plant, etc., being already on the spot, the promoters expect that, bearing all unforeseen events, the factory will be in full business swing in about six months' time. This concern, I understand, is to be worked by a limited liability company, which will shortly be floated either here or in Hong Kong.

The numerous friends in China of our late Colonial Secretary, Dr. Curtis Reilly, will be glad to learn that there is every probability of his coming out very shortly as Consul-General at Shanghai.

The Independent libel case will come on for trial some time next week. Strenuous efforts were made by the defendant to

postpone the trial as long as possible, and one of the applications he made to the Chief Justice was to issue commissions for the examination of supposed witnesses in some of the remotest corners of the globe! I hope the result of the trial will be to purify somewhat journalism in Macao.

#### THE FRENCH MILITARY OPERATIONS IN TONQUIN.

ARRIVAL OF THE NEW REINFORCEMENTS.—GREAT ACTIVITY AMONG THE BLACK FLAG.—HEAVY FORTIFICATIONS ON THE SONTAI ROAD.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

Haiphong, Nov. 8.

Haiphong has been a little livelier than usual during the past week, owing to the arrival of two of the transports from France, the *Aerien* and the *Shamrock*, with a portion of the long expected reinforcements. The former vessel, which left Tolon on the 10th ult., reached Halong Bay on the 31st ult., the *Shamrock*, which did not leave Europe until the 20th Sept., arriving only one day later. The troops were transferred, in the bay, to the smaller local transports *Drac* and *Sene* and were landed here on the 2nd and 3rd inst. The

new arrivals comprise four companies of Annamite Christians, has been raised and is being equipped and drilled at Hanoi. The nucleus of the new regiment was drawn from the district of Nanchin by Colonel Badens, recently commanding at that post, and drafts from other parts of the country having volunteered for service, it is intended to raise the strength of the force to 3,000 men, commanded by French officers. A light blue cotton uniform is worn by the men, who are armed with chisels and the Remington rifles formerly used by the Yellow Flag, and it is intended, when the members of the new corps shall have been sufficiently "knocked into shape" and drilled, to attach them to service to the Naval Brigade recently drafted by Admiral Courbet from the men-of-war on the station and sent to the front.

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The friction between the civil and military authorities has, it appears, for a time been somewhat allayed. Admiral Courbet has been definitely appointed to supreme control, to be unfettered in any way by the civil authorities, and M. Harmand, who had intended taking two months' leave of absence, has, I hear, received instructions by lat-lit advices, to remain at his post.

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